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DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.

G.O.Ms.No.1901. Dated. 1.5.1952.
Read the following:-

G.O.Ms.No.1420 Dev. dated 10.4.1950.
G.O.Ms.No.1482, Home, dated 17.4.1951.

Read also:-

From the Chief Conservator of Forests letter No. 19633/50-D1 dated 12.11.1950.
F.& A(F.P.)Dept.U.O.Note.No.33772 F.P.VI.A/50 dated 13.11.1950.
From the R.C.S.No.Rc.126859/51 Q.dated 12.9.1951
Memo.No.42114 VI.B/51 F.& A(FP) dated 23.11.51.
From the R.C.S.letter Rc.No.126859/51 Q.dated 17.2.1952.

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Order:

The Forest Grivances Enquriy Committee, south Kanara constituted in the Government Order first cited has made the following recommendations under the head "Land Colonisation and Gun Licence":-

Protection of crops from wild animals:

(1) Adequate measures should be t aken to protect cattle and crops from wild animals;

(2) In order to encourage the shooting of wild animals on an adequate scale, the scale of rewards should be increased and the production of the dead animals or the skin, claws etc., at the taluk office should be dispensed with and the procedure simplified.

Gun licence:

(3) Special propaganda has to be done to induce more ryots to go in for licences so as to bring up the average for the villages to at least 25.

(4) Gun licence should be given freely to all the ryots who ask for it unless there is evidence that the applicant is a bad and dangerous character.

(5) The present procedure should be relaxed so as to permit the villagers to file their applications in prescribed form on ordinary paper with the Potel of the village, who should be required to collect such applications and submit the same to Revenue Divisional Officer through Revenue Inspectors.

(6) No Sub Divisional Magistrate is now specially empowered to grant gun licences. They may be specially empowered.

(7) The renewal of licences may be done by Sub Divisional Magistrate in future.

(8) Simple type gun manufacturing and repairing units by competent people may be setup one for each firka in Malnad;

(9) Gun clubs may be started in all villages touching reserve forests.

(10) Hunting parties may be allowed to hunt in any forest reserve quite apart from the limits of one village or a group of villages to which the licence is restricted.

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Land Colonisation:

(11) Small Scattered bits of cultivable Government waste land in extensive Malnad cannot be brought under one scheme. Intensive Malnad-ea production scheme through cooperatives recently launched by Government in several districts of which South Kanara is one may be tried.

(12) Government may make a trial for the floatation of a Corporation with part capital by Government with the real control and guiding power in the hands of Government's nominated directors.

(13) Sri Mukambica Agricultural Estates and Forests Industries Ltd., may be given such help as the Government think that it needs and deserves; and

(14) An authority of a restricted nature to handle the entire problems of Malnad of South Kanara may be created.

The Government have examined these recommendations in consultations with the Board of Revenue, Chief Conservator of Forests and Registrar of Cooperative Society and consider that no further action is necessary except on items 2, 10 and 11 above.

Item (2) above:- The Government see no reason for increasing existing scale of rewards for the destruction of wild animals in South Kanara District. However the officers concerned are requested to be liberal in granting rewards within the prescribed maximum rates.

As regards the suggestion of the Committee to dispense with the production of the dead animal or the skin, claws etc. at the Taluk Office, and to simplify the procedure, the Government consider that the existing procedure is a necessary safeguard against fraud and that it should continue. The recommendation of the Committee in this respect is therefore negatived.

Item (10) above: The suggestion of the Committee is accepted, provided the hunting parties are organised with the approval of the Collector.

Item (11) above:- Orders on this recommendation will be issued separately in Food and Agriculture (Food Production) Department.

/ By order of etc./

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Secretary to Government.

To
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The Chief Conservator of Forests.
The Registrar of Cooperative Society.
The Collector of South Kanara.
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